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Examiner: Erik J. Kielin

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For: METHOD AND STRUCTURE
FOR REDUCTION OF CONTACT
RESISTANCE OF METAL SILICIDES
USING A METAL-GERMANIUM ALLOY

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2002, applicants submit the following remarks for entry of record in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the present Office Action, the Examiner alleges that applicants' previous Amendment and Response dated October 22, 2002 was not fully responsive since a marked-up version of the claims was allegedly not submitted.


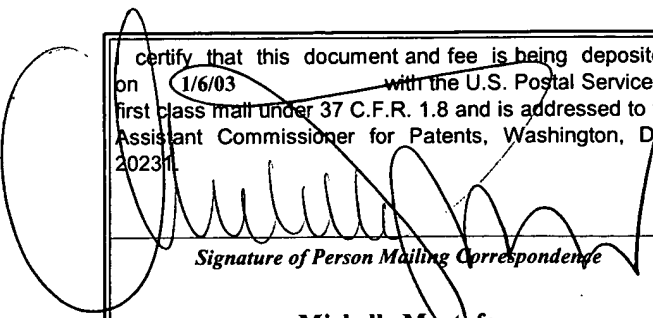
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Invention: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR REDUCTION OF CONTACT RESISTANCE OF METAL SILICIDES USING A METAL-GERMANIUM ALLOY					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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